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Stated Meeting, May 16*th*, 1873.

Present 23 members.

Letters accepting membership were receved from George F. Barker, dated University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, May 2d; Joseph Le Conte, and John Le Conte, dated University of California, April 29th, 1873.

Letters of envoy were received from the R. Saxon Society, dated Leipsig, Dec. 1st, 1872, and the Swiss Society of Natural History, dated Bern, Nov. 11th, 1872.

A letter of acknowledgment was received from the Society at Bern, dated Nov. 11th, 1873, (83, 84).

A letter requesting the completion of its set of Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society, was received from the Ecole des Mines, dated April 4th, 1873.

The death of Edward King, a member of the Society, at Philadelphia, May 8th, aged 79, was announced by Mr. Whitman, and on motion, Gen. Stokes was appointed to prepare an Obituary Notice of the deceased.

The death of John Stuart Mill, at Avignon, a member of the Society, was announced by the Secretary.

Donations for the Library were received from the Societies at Moscow, Leipsig, Frauenfeld, Stadtamhof, Frankfort-am-M., Berne, Lille, Bordeaux, Salem, Providence, and Buffalo;

the Geological Societies, &c. at Vienna, Berlin, and Florence; the Ecole des Mines, Antiquarian Society, Geographical Society, Oriental Athenæum, Revue Politique, and Prof. Delesse of Paris; the Antiquarian Society, Chemical Society, and London Nature; the Royal Dublin Society; Silliman's Journal; Franklin Institute, Academy of Natural Sciences, Penn Monthly and Mr. Edward Pennington of Philadelphia, and the State Geologist of Indiana.

Mr. Chase offered for publication and explained his views on "Anticyclonic Storms," and on the "Planetary Node between Mercury and Vulcan."

The minutes of the last Stated Meeting of the Board of Officers and members in Council were read.

Pending nomination No. 733 was read.

A discussion respecting the time and manner of publishing the Proceedings of the Society followed, in which Gen. Stokes, Dr. Le Conte, Prof. Cope, Mr. Whitman, Prof. Barker, Mr. Lesley, and Prof. Cresson took part.

And the meeting was adjourned.